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FISHERY FILM CHOSEY FOR ELUCATIONAL PROGRAM ABROAD

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One of the Interior Department's prize winning films, It's the Maine Sardine, has been selected for use by the Department of State's information service abroad. Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman said today.

The International Motion Picture Division of the Department of State plans to make 350 prints of the Maine fishery film-with translations in 25 languages-for showing by U. S. embassy and information offices in foreign countries. It is expected that the film will reach 115 million people throughout the world to help show how Americans live and work.

The film was produced in 1948 by the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior in cooperation with the Maine Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries and the Maine Sardine Packers Association and shows the catching of sardines off the Maine coast and the methods used in processing the catch. It's the Maine Sardine, a 16 mm sound and color film, was given first prize in the public relations series at the 10th International Exhibition of Cinematographic Art in Venice, Italy.

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